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## A happy ending for Greg and Jos during the Rembrandt Regatta 2011



**Greg Marchena and Jos van der Westerop are all smiles**

A small side note to the third edition of the Aruba Rembrandt Regatta this past weekend was the real life drama with a happy ending for Greg Marchena and, in particular, Jos van der Westerop, his partner during the Beach Cat races.

These small, fast catamarans can very often tip over and capsize when out over open seas in Aruba's gusty winds, and Greg's boat, Selkje, did just that about a mile and a half offshore from Punta Brabo, the southwest-

ern point of the island.

Both Greg and Jos were wearing life vests, and while Greg clung to the overturned pontoons of the boat, Jos was driven steadily out to sea by the rough, choppy waves. Greg reports that during most of the time he was awaiting assistance, he was surrounded by a pod of dolphins who had been spotted previously around the area; the

cetaceans kept circling Greg and his boat for well over an hour, transforming his frightening experience "into one of the greatest and most spiritual adventures of my life." When assistance arrived, they helped Greg right his boat and he sailed it back into shore. The dolphins departed when their protection was no longer needed.

As Jos drifted further out to sea, he had the presence of mind to remove his red tee shirt and keep waving it in the air to help searchers spot him. Aruba's local air/sea rescue services were notified and a helicopter was searching the seas, but it was the D-Trip, one of the boats competing in the Racing Class, and its crew, which spotted and retrieved Jos



**Overall winners D trip consider Jos an official crew member**

around four miles out.

A harrowing experience for Greg and Jos has become a story to tell the grandkids; Jos was declared an official member of the D-trip crew and welcomed on stage to be part of the picture when they were awarded the trophies for First Place Racing Class and Overall Winners of the Rembrandt Regatta 2011.

Greg and Jos's philosophy on life: All's well that ends well!

by Rosalie Klein

## Aruba's own Sarah-Quita Offringa proves she is a double-threat world-champion



For Aruban windsurfing prodigy Sarah-Quita Offringa, each year on the PWA circuit is another opportunity to set new records and enhance her reputation. Not content to be the youngest Women's PWA World Champion in Freestyle for three years running, since the age of 17, which made her the youngest in PWA history, she decided to pursue the title in Slalom Racing, and after being ranked 3rd last year, accomplished her goal during the Pegasus Airlines PWA World Cup in Alacati, Turkey. At the close of competition on Sunday, August 15, she sailed away with the title of PWA Women's World Champion in Slalom, after having again secured the top spot in Freestyle during the Sotavento Fuerteventura World Cup taking place in Spain from July 20 to August 1.

Intense competition in the final Freestyle match in Spain against veteran competitor Laure Treboux had sports writers describing Sarah-Quita's performance as "inspiring." Though Treboux "was on fire" during her semi-final match, and "upped her game" when battling against Sarah-Quita, "she was unable to match the power and diversity of Offringa's moves. Offringa was awarded the victory to the cheers of the crowds on the

beach after an amazing season where she was unbeaten on the water."

During the awards, Sarah-Quita demonstrated her gracious sense of sportsmanship; "It's my fourth world title and I am really happy, I sailed a great heat landing all my biggest moves. It's a great way to finish the year. I am really pleased for Laure, Yoli and Xenia- they are all sailing really well," she told reporters.

From Spain it was on to Turkey for another ten days of competition to claim her first PWA Women's World Champion title in Slalom Racing. "Offringa took charge on the first day of competition, powering her way through the first elimination and obviously enjoying the flat water in Alacati," reports the PWA. On day six of the competition Karin Jaggi of Switzerland "sailed a faultless race in elimination ten to secure her place in number one and to finish the event on a high."

Sarah-Quita took second place in Turkey, but her overall performance this year secured her the points to claim the PWA Women's World Champion Slalom Racing, again setting new records and PWA history with two titles at the age of only 20.

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## US firm fell short on Afghan police trainers: audit



WASHINGTON (AFP) - US-based DynCorps International failed to provide nearly 60 percent of the instructors needed to train Afghan police under a contract with the US government, according to an audit issued Monday.

The Defense Department and DynCorps signed a two-year contract in December 2010 worth more than \$1 billion to train police forces in Afghanistan, requiring the firm to have instructors in place within a 120-day deadline.

Defense officials "reported

that the incoming contractor did not have 428 of the 728 required personnel in place within the 120-day transition period," said the audit by inspectors general from the Defense and State departments.

The shortage "placed the overall mission at risk by not providing the mentoring essential for developing the Afghan Government and Police Force," it said.

The audit, which focused on the transfer of the Afghan police training program from the State Department to the Pentagon, criticized both for failing to create a clear plan to oversee and monitor the transition.

State and Defense "officials relied on independently developed contractor plans, some of which were not feasible and did not address inherently governmental tasks," it

said.

The audit comes amid a major push to train and expand Afghan security forces to pave the way for the eventual exit of NATO-led troops after nearly ten years of war.

The effort has faced persistent shortages of foreign trainers, with US officials complaining that some NATO members have failed to contribute enough instructors to the project.

The NATO-led mission in Afghanistan aims to train a 134,000-strong police force by October as part of a build-up of Afghan security forces, which are due to take over security responsibility by the end of 2014.

A Pentagon report to Congress earlier this year found that none of the 203 Afghan police units were considered capable of operating without assistance from foreign forces.

## NATO tankers set ablaze in Pakistan

PESHAWAR (AFP) - Nine NATO oil supply tankers and a goods truck were set ablaze in attacks in Pakistan on Monday, officials said.

A bomb exploded as two NATO oil tankers were entering a terminal in Torkham, a Pakistani tribal town bordering Afghanistan, and the flames also set three other tankers alight, they said.

A sixth vehicle, a goods truck loaded with supplies for NATO troops stationed in Afghanistan, was also burnt in the ensuing blaze, Mutahar Zeb, an administrator in the lawless Khyber tribal district, told AFP.

Zeb said that separately

two more NATO tankers were damaged and a driver and his helper were wounded when militants fired at them, but the vehicles did not catch fire.

Elsewhere, gunmen fired at up to 10 NATO oil tankers parked outside a roadside restaurant in the central Pakistani town of Adda Mohammad Wala, some 100 kilometres (60 miles) west of the city of Multan, police official Mian Javed said.

No group had yet claimed responsibility for the attack.

Most supplies and equipment required by foreign troops in Afghanistan are transported through Pakistan.

## UN agency investigating Somalia famine food thefts

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) - The United Nations is investigating possible theft of food from supplies shipped to Somalia to counter the devastating famine that has killed tens of thousands, a spokesman said Monday.

The UN's World Food Programme will "suspend any parties found responsible" working within the agency, UN deputy spokesman Farhan Haq told reporters.

The UN has not given details of how much food has

been diverted. But the announcement of the investigation came on the day that the UN Security Council made an urgent call for governments to respond to a 2.4-billion-dollar UN appeal to counter the drought in East Africa.

More than 12.4 million are at risk from starvation, according to the UN's emergency relief coordination agency.

Somalia has no effective government since the downfall of dictator Mohamed Siad Barre in 1991.

## Oil prices climb as markets rebound

NEW YORK (AFP) — Oil prices surged Monday as stock markets rallied and the dollar weakened, stoking demand for greenback-priced commodities.

New York's main contract, West Texas Intermediate crude for delivery in September, closed at \$87.88 a barrel, a rise of \$2.50, or nearly 3.0 percent, from Friday.

In London, Brent North Sea crude for September gained \$1.88 to settle at \$109.91 a barrel.

A weaker US currency makes dollar-priced crude oil cheaper for holders of stronger currencies, helping to stimulate buying.

The dollar fell against the euro after the European Central Bank said it bought 22 billion euros (\$31.8 billion) of

government bonds last week to help ease the pressure on Italy and Spain, pushing down their borrowing costs.

Oil also got a boost from returning confidence to stock markets, which appeared to find their footing Monday after a roller-coaster week dominated by a Standard & Poor's ratings downgrade of US credit and public debt problems on both sides of the Atlantic.

By contrast, official data on Japan's economy was much better than expected in the aftermath of the March earthquake and tsunami disaster.

Japanese gross domestic product shrank 1.3 percent in the second quarter from a year ago, less than half the average estimate, signaling the recovery is gaining traction.

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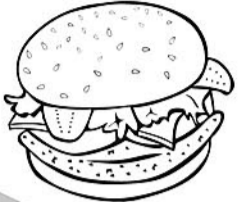
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## Prime Minister is guest speaker at "Jongeren van het Koninkrijk" symposium



Irene Broekhuijse unveiled the logo amidst an explosion of colorful confetti and exciting applause.

In his discourse Eman began by stating how important the evening was. This he claimed is because the Dutch Kingdom while it will always exist needs our initiatives to give substance to it for all of us. Eman remarked that..."I believe that this foundation inaugurated here tonight in Aruba is seeing the Dutch

concept of the Kingdom with the partners it has in the Caribbean section of the Kingdom."

The Prime Minister went on to explain that it is up to us and our young people to work together that we can show the Kingdom that the Dutch section and the Caribbean section which forms part of the Kingdom is reason for its existence. That this gives it added value and the possibility for creating win-win situations for both parties. For the Dutch section

The Foundation "Jongeren van het Koninkrijk" (Young People of the Kingdom), is an organization of young people up to age 35 years who have a focus on issues related to the Dutch Kingdom as they relate to them.

Last Saturday, the Prime Minister was a guest of honor and speaker for their symposium.

Young people of the Youth Parliament and of Kiwanis Circle K along with many other interested parties were in attendance at the very interesting evening. University of Aruba professor Luciano Miliard also rendered his support.

Irene Broekhuijse of the Foundation of Young People of the Kingdom welcomed everyone present and proceeded to explain the purpose of the Foundation. Then, accompanied by the Prime Minister



Kingdom as an organization of various countries and islands who together with Holland forms the Dutch Kingdom. In this sense it is something very fragile. Because many components of the Dutch Kingdom, beginning with Holland has political factors which are not very enthusiastic about the

and for the Caribbean section. This way we can guarantee a Dutch Kingdom as we know it."

He went on to share with the young people and others present that Aruba is playing a vital role in 'rescuing' the Dutch Kingdom.

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## Judge decides to hold Gary Giordano for an additional 16 days



Robyn Gardner and Gary Giordano

ORANJESTAD -- Gary Giordano, the person of interest in the case of missing Maryland woman Robyn Gardner, who he claims did not return from snorkeling off the east end of Aruba, will stay in the custody of Aruban police for another 16 days. Police have stated that after not hearing from Ms. Gardner since her disappearance on August 2, they are "presuming she is dead."

The decision was handed down at the San Nicolas Police Station late yesterday afternoon after 3 hours of hearing statements from the Prosecutor and Giordano's Aruban lawyer, Michael Lopez.

Aruban police are receiving assistance from the FBI in Maryland in investigating Giordano's background and

Internet activity with other women. The Aruban police have a little over two weeks to build a case by accumulating evidence from witnesses, surveillance video, personal cell phones, laptops, and other information.

The police also ask for anyone who may have witnessed interaction between Giordano and Robyn Gardner while on the island or have useful information regarding her disappearance, to come forward by calling on Aruba, (011-297) 582-0695 to leave their tip and contact information.

Giordano left the police station with his shirt over his head; his lawyer was not available for comment.

*By Rosalie Klein*



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## Author presents Prime Minister with two books



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The elegant and vivacious Mrs. Ena Dankmeijer-Maduro was accompanied by her friend Rose Mary de Paula and Alice van Romondt. She is the brainchild of the Rooi Catootje S.A.L. (Mongui) Maduro Li-

brary in Curacao which is a collection of Antillean and Judaic works of her late father.

In 1974 the collection of literary works of this library was made up the unique archives housed in it. On the year of her 90th birthday the super modern library facility which she had built was inaugurated. Her book, "Ena, een leven tussen boeken," exhibits various phases of her interesting life, of her love for her father and his schooldays. In her book she also recounts the period of the war when she worked for the Department of Defense. In her book she also tells of her love for partying. Mrs. Dankmeijer-Maduro also recounts how she met her beloved husband, Emile

Dankmeijer whom she married after the war and lived in Rooi Catootje.

After the death of her father she developed an incredible love for the works her father left behind as a type of unique archive. Together with her mother, husband and others Mrs. Dankmeijer-Maduro endeavors to maintain and amplify the collection of works of her father Mongui Maduro. This became her primary occupation.

The Prime Minister enjoyed a wonderful time of conversation with this vivacious and extremely interesting lady. Eman was especially appreciative of her attention and the gift of two of her great books.

## Yuwana Morto is first to get Green Energy



SAN NICOLAS -- The government is intent on making alternative energy an important matter for the daily life of our people. The residents of Yuwana Morto in San Nicolaas will be the first to have a "solar roof" system. The government together with our electric distribution company Elmar NV will introduce a solar roof for the homes in Yuwana Morto after renovating these dwelling houses.

In cooperation with the residents of these homes, they had to be moved to temporary housing in Savaneta in order to do the renovations. The work began with a general clean up of the entire area. They removed old abandoned cars and other junk from the area.

In the next phase they will be removing all asbestos roofs, which are detrimental to the health of people and is no longer being used today. These roofs will be replaced with vinyl roofing with solar cells.

Not only the structure of

these homes in Yuwanan Morto Complex will be changed, the modernization of the entire barrio will be given attention. They intend to bring about changes in the sidewalks, the road, the infrastructure of lighting, etc. They also intend to create recreational areas for the young people who live in this barrio.

Because of the changes in the Statutes of the electric company, Elmar can now permit citizens the option to use and install alternative energy systems like solar panels on their roofs which is definitely less expensive for our people. On the basis of the agreement reached with Elmar and the government, Elmar will give those with solar roofs a small reduction on their electric bill for electricity that they put on their grid. This and other energy initiatives are all part of the positive results derived from the First Green Conference held here on Aruba recently.

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## Bon Bini Festival is tonight



ORANJESTAD -- The weekly Bon Bini Festival takes place tonight at the Fort Zoutman in Wilhelminastraat. Come mingle with the locals and enjoy a taste of Aruban culture.

This week the festival will feature the traditional Aruba caha di orgel by 'Nos A'mbiente,' folkloric music by Arco Iris, dance performance by 'Masiduri,' trio performance by Jacobs Family, poem declaimed by Kathleen Farro, soloist Quincy Hasham and brass band TBS.

During the festival there will be local food, sweets and traditional local arts and crafts on sale.

Arubus has regular busses from all hotels areas to Oranjestad Central Terminal, which is only a short walk from Fort Zoutman. Round trip bus fare is \$2.30. The festival is from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Entrance fee is \$3, =

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## Prime Minister is guest speaker ...

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This is because on various occasions Aruba is one of the few nations in all of the Dutch Kingdom who have conscientiously chosen to remain in the Dutch Kingdom. And, this was not for money because for many years Aruba has stopped receiving money from Holland. But, because of the stability that it brings, the Defense and access it provides to the rest of the world."

Just to mention one other aspect of the many items on the Prime Minister's speech, he also talked about the history of Aruba's Status Aparte in which Aruba demonstrated her desire to be separate from the rest of the Antilles but always forming part of the Dutch Kingdom, which is the status we enjoy today. Eman was very eloquent and informative.

## Papiamento goes to University!

ORANJESTAD -- the Fundacion Lanta Papiamento joyfully announced last week that beginning this upcoming academic year at the University of Aruba, the university will introduce the Papiamento language as a subject in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences (FAS). This was an initiative of the university which the Foundation for Promoting Papiamento applauds.

The Foundation views this move by the university as an indication of their commitment to promote our national language, the language spoken by most people living here.

They believe that the success of any professional depends on how well he/she can communicate orally and in writing particularly in his/her own maternal language.

The Foundation considers this news a historic one in the history of Papiamento. ...Papiamento, first spoken by an-

cient slaves, later recognized as a formal official language, now goes to University as part of a formal curriculum of study!

It is no secret that Papiamento has been struggling to gain entrance into our educational system. Now that the University has incorporated Papiamento into their curriculum, our secondary schools should bear in mind that in the future the Papiamento language as a subject may become an entrance requirement for getting accepted into the University or IPA. This means that they will have to include Papiamento in their study profile.

Papiamento in the curriculum of the University of Aruba will make students aware of the intrinsic value of Papiamento in our community and of the socio-historic value of this language for us all. Studying Papiamento at the univer-

sity level will also make students cognizant of the connection between Papiamento and our culture. Upon completion of their university studies each student will be practicing their profession in a multiethnic, multicultural and multilingual society. The student will learn how to deal with such a community of diversity of races, cultures and languages and with the importance that language plays in all of this.


The instructor for the Papiamento subject will be Mrs. Swinda Schwengle with the support of Ramon Todd Dandare and Mrs. Joyce Pereira.

Slowly but surely Papiamento is getting its deserved recognition. Papiamento is the essence of life and the basis of our development, the backbone of our existence. Hence, we must give it a place of prominence in our educational system.

The Foundation for the Pro-

motion of Papiamento applauds the decision of the University of Aruba to include Papiamento as a subject in their Faculty of Arts and Sciences. It is believed that very soon the University will also begin a Masters program in Language and Papiamento Literature in the very same faculty.

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## Sci-Tech

# Samsung to launch banned tablet on Dutch market



THE HAGUE (AFP) - South Korean electronics giant Samsung will launch its Galaxy Tab 10.1 today on the Dutch market in the midst of a legal stand-off with rival US-based Apple and sales banned elsewhere in Europe.

"The Galaxy Tab 10.1 will be on sale from Tuesday" in a large electronics chain around the country, Tamara Villani, Samsung spokeswoman in the Netherlands, said on Monday.

From August 23, the tablet will be available in various other stores, she added.

Apple's lawyers last week asked a Dutch judge to ban the sale of three different types of Samsung smart phones as well as three tablets, including the Samsung Galaxy Tab 10.1.

It filed papers before the Hague district court on June 27, asking for an injunction and accusing Samsung of infringing on its design and

patents.

The court was expected to give its decision by 15 September.

Samsung's spokeswoman said she could not comment on how sales in the Netherlands would affect the trial's outcome.

"Whatever the decision, we can continue our business as planned until October 13," Villani said, referring to the date the judge would set for Samsung to remove offending products from the shelves if an injunction was granted in Apple's favour.

The case before the Dutch court is the latest episode in the battle between Samsung and Apple, manufacturer of the iPad, who have been pursuing legal action against one another since April over design rights.

Earlier this month, Apple also launched legal proceedings in Australia against Samsung, accusing it of infringing its patents with the Galaxy Tab 10.1.

A Dusseldorf court a week ago granted a separate injunction halting the sale of the Galaxy Tab 10.1 across Europe, with the exception of the Netherlands.

Samsung indicated that it would appeal the decision.

## Taiwan facing worst ever brain drain: academics

TAIPEI (AFP) - Taiwan is facing its worst ever "brain drain", with outdated laws and red tape causing the tech-savvy island to lose out to competitors in the global race to attract talent, academics warned Monday.

"Should the government fail to adopt effective countermeasures to recruit talent, Taiwan may see its competitive edge in industry and academe decline gradually," 18 top academics and industry leaders warned in a joint statement.

There is not enough flexibility to ensure the luring of talent and the nurturing of creativity, they said, with one scholar labelling present laws as only "fit for an agricultural society".

"It is no wonder Taiwan's educational and research institutes have failed to recruit qualified personnel," the statement said.

"They are barred from

paying as much as their counterparts in China, including Hong Kong, and Singapore in their hunt for talent."

Wang San-sen, spokesman for top academic body Academia Sinica, said existing laws give priority to equality, meaning people recruited for government-sponsored research receive the same salary, whether they are talented or not.

Over the past decade, about 490,000 foreigners have been allowed to work in Taiwan each year. White-collar workers and technicians have accounted for only 20,000 of these, government statistics showed.

During the same period of time, up to 30,000 Taiwanese, a great majority of them white-collar workers, have emigrated each year.

"Taiwan has emerged as a 'net supplier' of high-level manpower," the statement said.



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## MS Turanor PlanetSolar arrives in Hong Kong



MS Turanor PlanetSolar, a solar powered boat, sails at the Victoria Harbor in Hong Kong, south China, yesterday. The solar powered catamaran, MS Turanor PlanetSolar, arrived at Hong Kong on Monday and

will anchor in Hong Kong from Aug. 15 to Aug. 23, as a waypoint during its voyage around the world. Turanor PlanetSolar, a 31- by 15-metre white catamaran was unveiled to the world last year and has embarked

on a world tour from Monaco since September 2010 to promote solar energy for pollution-free shipping.

The Swiss-flagged boat, which was built in Germany and cost 26 million USD, is topped by 500 square metres of black solar panels, with a bright white cockpit sticking up in the centre.

## Björk introduces the 'app album'



Leave it to Icelandic pop star Björk to shake up music marketing. The musician released her latest album, but instead of producing the traditional CD or selling singles via iTunes, Björk has packaged her new music in an app.

Biophilia is available in the App Store for free, and is described as "an extraordinary and innovative multimedia ex-

ploration of music, nature and technology." Songs are presented via a galactic-themed interfaced, and the app updates to give users access to newly released songs. Lyrics, background, animation, and music scores with karaoke playback are also included.

In addition to giving her fans a new and exciting way to access her music, Björk is challenging the way we approach music production. There's a much higher degree of interacting with the music, where you're either taking a part in creating the song (like with the title "Virus") or playing a game along to "Crystalline," in which the accompaniment navigates you through a maze of gathering and sharing crystals.

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## Health & Living

# Infants with autistic siblings at higher risk: US study



WASHINGTON (AFP) - Infants have higher risk of developing autism if they have siblings with the disorder, a US study found Monday.

The risk that an infant with an older sibling with autism also will develop the disorder, previously estimated at 3-10 percent, is 19 percent, according to the study by researchers at the University of California Davis.

For male infants the risk was even higher, at 26 percent, and for infants with more than one older sibling with autism the risk of recurrence jumped to 32 percent, according to the study.

Autism, a complex disorder that affects a child's ability to think, learn, communicate and interact socially, occurs in one out of 110 children born in the United States, according to the US Center for Disease Control (CDC).

Males account for 80 percent of diagnosed cases, researchers said.

"This is the largest study of the siblings of children with autism ever conducted," said Sally Ozonoff, professor of psychiatry and behavioral

sciences at UC Davis's MIND Institute and the study's lead author.

"There is no previous study that identified a risk of recurrence that is this high."

The study involved 664 infants whose average age was eight months, with two-thirds recruited younger than six months. The researchers followed their development until 36 months, when they were tested for autism.

Of the 664 infants, 132 met the criteria for an "autism spectrum disorder," with 54 diagnosed with autistic disorder and 78 diagnosed with a milder form of the disease.

The study found that in families with one older child with autism the rate of recurrence was 20.1 percent. Only 37 infants had more than one sibling with autism, but for them the recurrence rate was 32.2 percent.

The study was published online Monday and will appear in print in the September issue of the journal "Pediatrics," the researchers said.

## Health Tip: Diabetics Should Eat on Schedule



Diabetic diet meal plan is only a healthy well-balanced diabetic diet regime

-- If you've got diabetes, staying on a regular eating schedule will help you maintain better glucose control.

The American Diabetes Association suggests how to maintain a consistent food schedule:

- Schedule meal plans at your normal eating times.

- Make a restaurant

reservation to avoid waiting in a long line for a table.

- Before you order, find out if the meal you want takes extra time to prepare.

- If you do have to eat later than usual, eat a fruit or starch serving in advance at your normal meal time.

- If you're eating dinner very late, eat your bedtime snack at the usual dinner time. Make any insulin adjustments, as needed.

## In Nigeria, a Big Oil Toll



In the field offices of Nigeria's National Oil Spill Detection and Response Agency, workers receive near-daily calls from villagers complaining of spills.

UNITED NATIONS - A landmark United Nations study into the long-term environmental impact of oil production in Nigeria says that oil spills have led to acute health risks for area residents and widespread environmental damage that may take as many as 30 years and \$1 billion to clean up.

The report released this week also shines a spotlight on the activities of Royal Dutch Shell PLC, which for years drilled in the area and which funded the report.

The study, which focused on one small region of the vast

Niger Delta and was commissioned by the Nigerian government and funded by Royal Dutch Shell, found that drinking water in at least 10 communities was contaminated with hydrocarbons and that the contamination went as deep as five meters below ground in some places. Shell no longer operates in the studied area.

Mr. Steiner said the report provided the scientific basis on which a long-overdue environmental restoration of the area, known as Ogoniland, can begin. The report recommends establishing three institutions in Nigeria, including a cleanup fund, to underpin the restoration effort. The fund would require a total of \$1 billion contributed by the oil industry and government for the first few years, according to the report.

Shell says the vast majority of the pollution in its Nigeria operations in recent years has been caused by oil theft and militant attacks. For its Nigeria operations, it says an equivalent of 102,000 barrels of oil were spilled into the Niger Delta in 2009 as a direct result of sabotage or theft.



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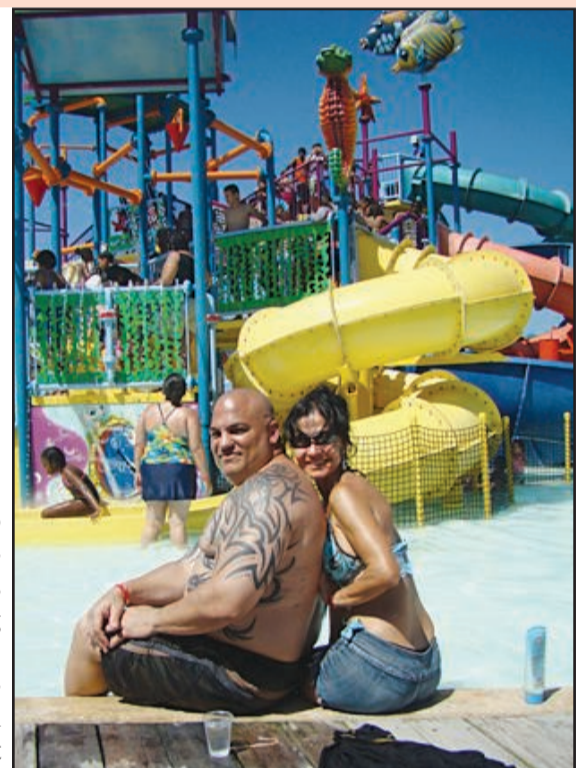
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## Disaster-hit Japan marks 66 years since WWII end



**Nagasaki -- James Zumwalt, deputy chief of the US embassy in Tokyo, offers a wreath of flowers during a service to mark the 66th anniversary of the 1945 atomic bombing of Nagasaki in Nagasaki on August 9, 2011. (AFP PHOTO)**

TOKYO (AFP) - Japan will recover from the March 11 quake and tsunami just as it did after World War II, Prime Minister Naoto Kan said yesterday, the 66th anniversary of the

country's surrender.

"Our country rose from the ruins after the war thanks to each citizen's effort and has overcome many difficulties until today," Kan said at a memorial service in Tokyo marking the day emperor Hirohito declared defeat, ending the war.

"Given these experiences, we will certainly and strongly reconstruct the disaster areas and Japan."

The anniversary comes as Japan struggles to recover from the quake and tsunami which ravaged its northeast coast and sparked a crisis at its Fukushima nuclear plant, the world's worst atomic accident since Chernobyl 25 years ago.

Emperor Akihito, the son of the late Hirohito, attended the service at the Budokan indoor arena with Empress Michiko, and addressed the audience of more than 6,000 guests.

"I remember the history and ardently pray that the tragedy of war will never be repeated," the 77-year-old emperor said.

"Together with all the people, I express my heartfelt sorrow for those lost in the war and pray for world peace and the country's continued pros-



**Nagasaki : Doves fly over the Peace Monument during a service to mark the 66th anniversary of the 1945 atomic bombing of Nagasaki at Peace Park in Nagasaki on August 9, 2011. The city of Nagasaki called for a shift away from nuclear power, as it marked the anniversary of the US atomic bombing at the end of the World War II. AFP PHOTO**

perity."

Kan and his cabinet ministers stayed away from the controversial Yasukuni war shrine in Tokyo -- seen by other Asian countries as a symbol of Japan's past imperialist aggression.

The centre-left leader, whose party took power in September 2009, also refrained

from visiting the shrine last year.

Previous pilgrimages to Yasukuni by conservative premiers provoked outrage in China and on the Korean peninsula, where memories of Japan's wartime atrocities linger.

Yesterday, more than 50 politicians from the conserva-

tive opposition -- including former prime minister Shinzo Abe and current opposition leader Sadakazu Tanigaki -- visited the religious site, wearing morning dress.

Kan instead went to a Tokyo cemetery for the war dead and placed a bouquet of flowers at a memorial.

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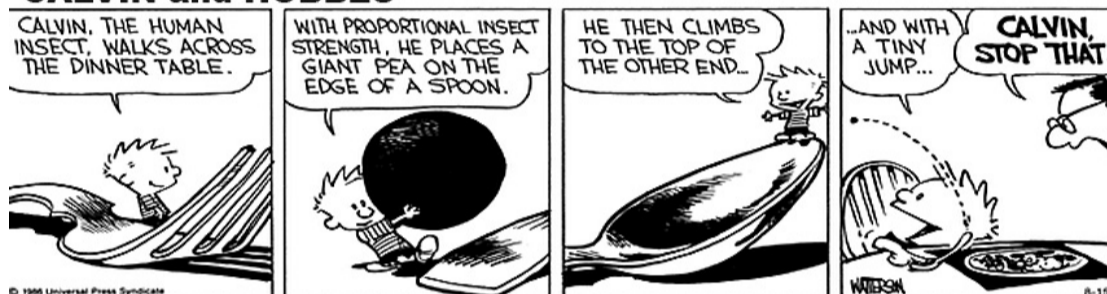
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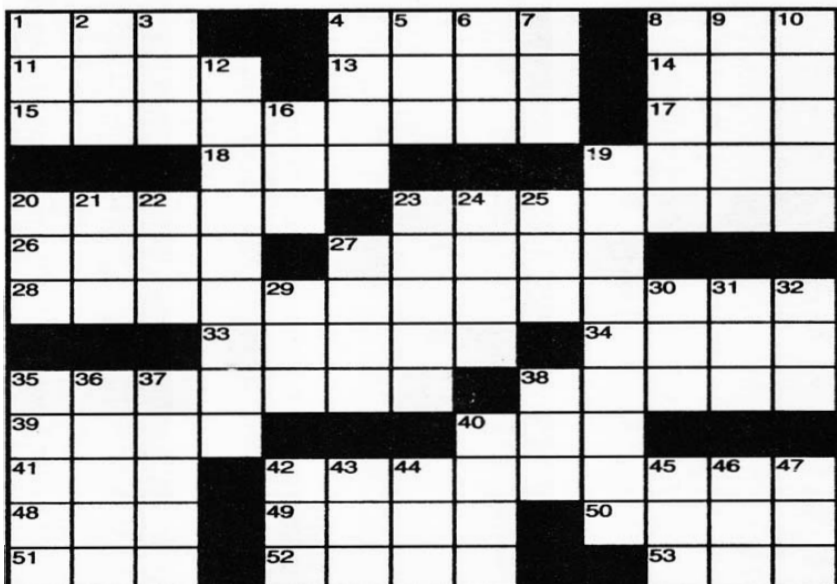
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18. \_\_\_ rummy
19. Charge on property
20. Throat infection
23. GI's vittles
26. Peachy's partner
27. Aesop's punchline

28. Beset by difficulties
33. Author Joyce Carol \_\_\_
34. "\_\_\_ bella!"
35. Official records
38. Tour of duty
39. \_\_\_ probandi (burden of proof)
40. Canadian prov.
41. Wee bit
42. David Rabe play
48. School subj.
49. Initial-carving spot
50. Malicious
51. Driving device
52. Jerk
53. Oft-inflated

## DOWN

1. Theater floor hazard
2. Formerly
3. Producer Ziegfeld
4. Al-\_\_\_ (nickname of Muhammad)
5. Term of endearment, in Britain
6. Avail oneself of
7. Debussy's "La \_\_\_"
8. Part of NPR
9. Sci-fi villain, often
10. Hammer parts

12. Really clever
16. Fabric fracture
19. "Jeannine, I Dream of \_\_\_"
20. Emulate Tomba
21. Decimal system base
22. Midlife crisis car color
23. Blooms for lovers
24. Culinary and martial
25. Road coating
27. Apportion
29. Snitch (on)
30. Sequel's sequel designation
31. Basker's desire
32. Sauce lover
35. Choral piece
36. Too silly for words
37. Signal with an elbow
38. Tranquillity, for one
40. Look where one shouldn't
42. Hogger
43. Refrain bit
44. Stimpy's angry pal
45. "The \_\_\_ of St. Agnes" (Keats)
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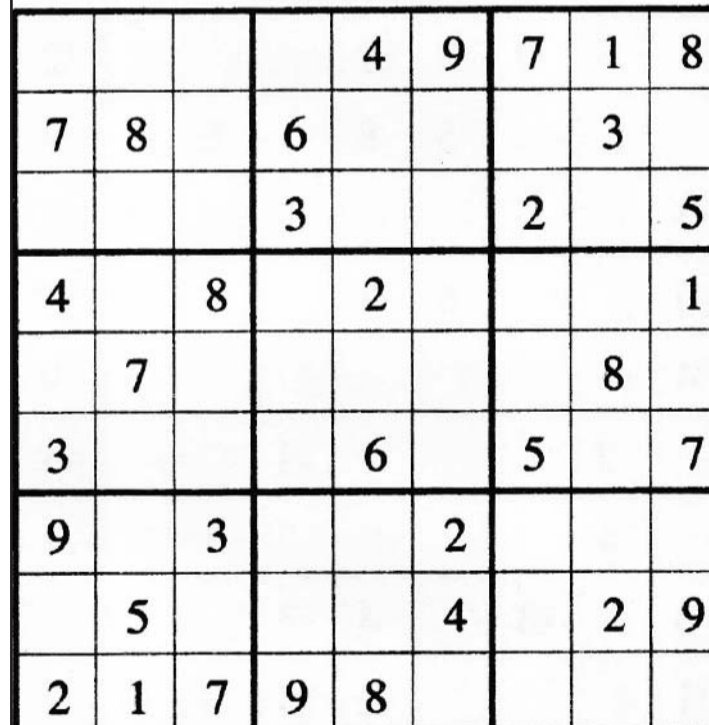
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## Finance

# Warren Buffett says: 'tax me and my rich friends'

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Billionaire investor Warren Buffett urged US lawmakers Monday to raise taxes on wealthier Americans to cut Washington's huge budget deficit, saying the move would not dampen investments or jobs.

In a New York Times opinion article, the chief executive of Berkshire Hathaway proposed a tax increase on Americans who make at least \$1 million per year and an additional increase on those making \$10 million or more.

"Our leaders have asked for 'shared sacrifice.' But when they did the asking, they spared me. I checked with my mega-rich friends to learn what pain they were expecting. They, too, were left untouched," Buffett wrote.

"While the poor and middle class fight for us in Afghanistan, and while most Americans struggle to make ends meet, we mega-rich continue to get our extraordinary tax breaks."



**Billionaire investor Warren Buffett urged US lawmakers Monday to raise taxes on wealthier Americans to cut Washington's huge budget deficit, saying the move would not dampen investments or jobs.**

The man known as the "Oracle of Omaha" said his federal tax rate was 17.4 percent last year, while some investment managers were taxed just 15 percent on income reaching into the billions. He then noted that the middle class is taxed up to 25 percent in its income bracket, along with "heavy" payroll

taxes.

In contrast, Buffett recalled "far higher" taxes rates for the rich in the 1980s and 1990s, and yet nearly 40 million jobs were added from 1980 to 2000.

"You know what's happened since then: lower tax rates and far lower job creation," he said.

"People invest to make money, and potential taxes have never scared them off."

Americans are losing faith with Congress's ability to tackle the country's financial woes, Buffett warned, calling for "immediate, real and very substantial" action.

A protracted partisan battle between lawmakers culminated in a last-minute deal on August 2 to raise the \$14.3 trillion US debt ceiling and narrowly avoid a US default.

"My friends and I have been coddled long enough by a billionaire-friendly Congress," he added. "It's time for our government to get serious about shared sacrifice."

## North Sea oil leak biggest in decade: Britain

LONDON (AFP) - An oil spill from a North Sea platform is the biggest in British waters in a decade, government figures showed Monday as Shell battled to close off the leak completely.

Around 216 tonnes (1,300 barrels) of oil has leaked from the Gannet Alpha platform, 112 miles (180 kilometres) east of Aberdeen on the Scottish coast, the Anglo-Dutch oil giant said.

The estimate is bigger than the total amount spilled in any year in British waters over the last 10 years, according to figures from the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC).

The subsea well was shut on Wednesday and work is ongoing to stop the oil remaining in the flowline from leaking.

The current daily spillage rate is below one tonne, while the amount of oil on the surface is estimated at about one tonne, covering 0.5 square kilometres, Shell said.

Both Shell and the DECC

said they expected the surface sheen would be broken up by wind and waves and not reach the shore.

North Sea oil production is a major industry in Scotland, centred on Aberdeen.

As Britain battles to rein in its record deficit and revive growth, it is a key sector being relied upon by the Treasury.

Mick Borwell, from offshore industry body Oil and Gas UK, told BBC radio that Britain had one of the most robust response mechanisms to oil spills.

While the size of the leak was "not normal" for British waters, he said he was convinced that Shell was doing all it could to tackle the problem.

The estimated monetary damage is yet to be established.

## Netherlands gives frozen Libyan assets to WHO



**Libyan refugees in Misrata**

THE HAGUE (AFP) - The Dutch government has given 100 million euros (\$144.5 million) in frozen Libyan assets to the World Health Organisation to distribute medicine to the Libyan people, a foreign ministry spokesman said Monday.

"An amount of 100 million euros in Libyan assets has been unfrozen on a request of the World Health Organisation," Ward Bezemer told AFP, adding it was only a fraction of Libya's assets seized by the Dutch government in March.

Bezemer said Dutch Foreign Minister Uri Rosenthal told a press conference reserved for Dutch media he was delighted to offer the money to the UN health agency.

"I always say sanctions must cut off the regime and not the population," Rosenthal said. "That is exactly what's happening here now: Kadhafi's frozen money is being used to save Libyan lives."

Bezemer said the money would be mainly used to buy treatment for diabetic patients, medicines against heart disease and provide surgical equipment.

The aid would go to "Benghazi, Misrata and other places where the rebels are in charge

but also to where the fighting was still going on," Bezemer said.

"It was an urgent request by the WHO," added the spokesman, saying the Netherlands used Libyan money from Dutch bank accounts after receiving the green light from the United Nations.

Some 3.1 billion euros in Libyan assets were frozen by the Dutch government in March.

The Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg in mid-June recognised the National Transitional Council as the Libyan people's legitimate representative.

Dutch support for NATO's Libya campaign was extended until September 1, when a decision would be taken on further support, the defense ministry said.

Six Dutch F-16 warplanes have taken part in enforcing a no-fly zone over the north African country since the end of March, but did not fly bombing missions.

Apart from fighter planes, the Dutch warship Haarlem has also taken part in the NATO operation by patrolling Libyan waters and enforcing an arms embargo, the ministry added.

## YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

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"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," comments Aaron; and upon entering 5 Burgers Aruba in The Village Mall in Palm Beach, one is struck by utterly spotless surroundings and a smiling, friendly, attentive service crew. Of course, the main item on the menu is burgers-the way they were meant to be, thick and juicy, made fresh daily and 100% pure beef, the kind that made the hamburger a traditional American treat.

Prices vary only slightly between regular and small (basically 2 patties or 1) with specialty items such as Gouda Burger, Farmer's Burger, Man Burger (almost 12 ounces of choice beef), and a Western Burger with crispy onion rings and BBQ sauce. All of these can be personalized with an incredible array of toppings, (mushrooms, jalapeño peppers, bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato...whatever the list goes on) at absolutely no extra cost.

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If you are a fan of crispy friend onion rings, as we are at THE MORNING NEWS, you cannot leave there without trying their secret recipe batter-dipped gourmet rings, made from fresh, not frozen onions. Unquestionably, the best we have had anywhere, and for those that like a little spice, the fried jalapeños are a real treat. Aaron and Rosie have expanded their menu to accommodate certain tastes and dietary needs; they offer a tasty grilled chicken sandwich as well.

5 Burgers Aruba is open for lunch & dinner – daily hours are Noon to 10-ish; delivery is available to both the high-rise and low-rise hotel and beach district for orders over \$50. Enjoy a great lunch without ever leaving the beach by calling 586-3904. However, we suggest you stop by and enjoy their authentic, heartfelt hospitality; it is not unusual for either owner or Manager Marc Anthony when things are not too busy, to sit and chat while sharing their knowledge of the island. Totally yummy and fun plus a great deal for a quality burger, they are definitely worth a visit

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## Spanish duchess lavishes children with wealth



**The 18th Duchess of Alba with Señor Alfonso Díez.**

MADRID (AFP) -One of Spain's richest women, the Duchess of Alba and her children are content after she showered them with her extraordinary wealth, reportedly so she can marry for love.

It was the first time the 85-year-old duchess had commented on reports that she split the lavish riches between her six children to overcome their objections to her marrying a civil servant 24 years her junior.

Asked by Spanish public television TVE if the children were happy with the decision, she replied: "Of course, I am very fair. And since it is my business I don't want to talk about it."

Speaking as she relaxed in the holiday island resort of Ibiza, Maria del Rosario Cayetana Fitz-James-Stuart criticised the leaking of her bequest to the press.

"I don't like it, I don't know who did it," said the aristocrat, whose wealth is estimated in the Spanish press at between 600 million and 3.5 billion euros (\$850 million and \$5.0 billion).

The duchess, who is renowned in Spain for her frizzy hair, smiling disposition and colourful dress sense, was wearing a pink T-shirt emblazoned with the words: "Love, Hope, Faith."

Spain's media are buzzing with gossip about her adult children's objections to the twice-widowed duchess's desire to marry Alfonso Díez, who works for the social security department and has a public relations firm.

"It is one thing for her to do her things but another to have them aired," Díez, who was in Madrid, complained to TVE.

The duchess owns swathes of real estate, palaces, great houses and treasures including paintings by masters from Goya to Velazquez, Murillo, Zurbaran, Rembrandt and Rubens.

According to a weekend report by the daily El Pais, she legally bequeathed the fortune but maintains control over it until her death.

Among the riches distributed to her five sons and daughter are the Liria Palace in Madrid dripping with masterpiece paintings, country estates, mansions and the Monterrey Palace and El Tejado castle in Salamanca.

"I am Catholic and I want to marry but I don't know if I will because my children are creating difficulties. Hopefully things will work out, I think so," the duchess told radio station Cope in February.

"Alfonso does not want anything, he has renounced everything, he loves only me."



**MANILA - American socialite and reality TV star Paris Hilton arrives in the late evening to meet with Filipino boxing idol and congressman Manny Pacquiao and his wife Jinky in Manila on August 14, 2011. Hilton is expected to launch one of her signature shops in this country during her visit.**

AFP PHOTO

# Third annual Aruba Rembrandt Regatta provides a complete weekend of fun in the sun



Overall winners and first place Racing class D-trip of Curacao



First place winners cruising class



first, second and third place winners beach cat

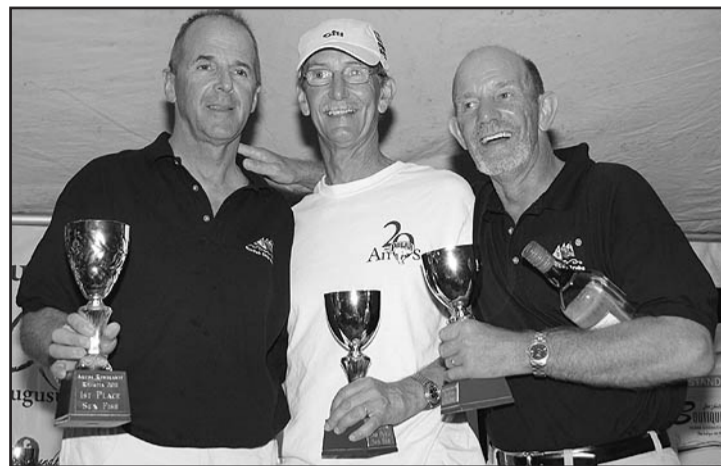
A group of dedicated sailors led by Erik Mijts founded Aruba's first all class regatta two years ago with the sponsorship of Rembrandt Restaurant in Palm Beach, thus the name, Rembrandt Regatta. The dream was to see what was initially a local event grow to attract international

participants, and this third edition demonstrated it is attracting sailors from the region and increased participation.

Partnership with organizers of the Aruba Beach Tennis tournament and moving the regatta headquarters to Eagle Beach created a center for fun in the sun and on the waters for three full days. A congenial vacation community was created with families and friends bringing their BBQ grills with some camping out, as they sailed Aruba's waters or battled it out on the courts for the last weekend before island children return to school and residents "get back to business" with the close of summer vacation.

The awards ceremony was a fun affair with contenders sharing the victory of the competition and the community of Caribbean sailors. The Rembrandt Regatta has the distinction of being Aruba's only sailing event encompassing every form of water activity deploying some sort of sail, including windsurfing and kitesurfing; all others are dedicated to a particular type of vessel.

Trophies were awarded to the smaller classes first, starting with the youngest beginner class, Dominique Hopman, who won the "Optimist," trophy and moving on to Superkids and Prokids windsurfing categories won by Milan de Jonge and Berend Pronk, respectively. First place winners received along with their trophies a free trip on Tanquilo sailboat, second place got dinner at Rembrandt restaurant and third place dinner at Da Vinci. Petr "Pechie" Pechacek from the Czech Republic returned to Aruba to successfully defend his title as first place Kitesurfer from last year. Older division winners were thrilled to also receive bottles of Mount Gay Rum



First, second and third place sunfish



First and second place Kite surfing winners



Eva Luna first place winner open class

and cases of Polar Beer along with their trophies.

In the smaller boats, First place winners in ascending categories of boat size were: Sunfish: Job Laboyrie and Beachcat: Martin & Nicole van de Velde. Crewed boats with their captains were Racing Class: D-Trip (Curacao), Captain Edwin Versteeg, which also claimed the Budget Marine Cup for Overall Performance as winner of

the Around Aruba race, which circumnavigates the entire island. Cruising Class: Rafaga (Aruba), Captain Marc Anthony Rooijackers and Open Class: Eva Luna (Aruba), Captain Eric Mijts.

Winds were high for some record speeds over the water and great excitement among participants, making this a memorable weekend for sailing enthusiasts.



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# Fabregas up for challenge of his life at Barcelona

BARCELONA (AFP) - Spain midfielder star Cesc Fabregas admitted on Monday that he had taken on the biggest challenge of his career after completing his marathon move from Arsenal to the club he calls 'home' European champions Barcelona.

The 24-year-old World Cup winner, who cost Barca 29 million euros up front, signed a five-year contract and said that a weight had been lifted from his shoulders after the prolonged discussions that have been on and off for over a year.

"Yes, there have been some difficult days," said Fabregas, who left Barcelona eight years ago after a successful junior career alongside the likes of Lionel Messi.

"Today (Monday), I feel a great weight has been lifted from my shoulders.

"But at the same time, it wasn't too painful. I have never really worried about my future, as I had already decided on it."

Fabregas, whose only trophy at Arsenal was the 2005 FA Cup, said that he felt he was at the right stage of his career to join Barcelona.

"Two or three years ago I

wasn't ready," he said.

"But today I am. I had a lot of offer, and I have without doubt chosen the difficult one, but also the one which gives me most pleasure.

"I know that I am taking on the biggest challenge of my life: I am going to be competing with the best players in the world and some Barcelona supporters will not pardon me maybe for the fact I left here as a young man and will demand of me double the effort.

"But I am here to give everything, I do not want to disappoint anybody."

Barcelona deputy chairman Josep Maria Bartomeu confirmed the fee was 29 million euros but that there were add ons should certain targets be met.

"In addition, if we win the league twice and the Champions league once in the next five seasons Arsenal will receive a bonus of five million euros, two (million) for each league win and one for the Champions League," he told a news conference alongside Fabregas.

"Furthermore, over the next five years ... the club will pay one million euros to Arsenal on behalf of Cesc," who is taking a massive

salary cut to come to Spain, he said.

Fabregas earlier appeared before some 35,000 cheering supporters at the Camp Nou stadium after passing a medical and signing the deal.

"I would like to thank all the fans," he said. "I have been waiting many days, months, years for this day. It's very special day, to come home after eight years away. I am here to face the most incredible challenge of my life."

## Nalbandian books Murray match

CINCINNATI (AFP) - Argentinian veteran David Nalbandian defeated Japan's Kei Nishikori 6-4, 6-4 on Monday to book a second-round clash with world No. 4 Andy Murray at the ATP Cincinnati Masters.

As this hardcourt US Open tuneup for both men and women gathered steam, Argentina's Juan Ignacio Chela and American Ryan Harrison were battling for the dubious distinction of a second-round meeting with world number one and men's top seed Novak Djokovic.

The Serbian extended his lead atop the rankings released on Monday after his victory in the Montreal Masters on Sunday -- a victory that gave him his ninth title of 2011 and made him the first man to win five elite Masters titles in the same season.

Djokovic and the rest of the top eight men's seeds have first-round byes, as do the top eight women, who are led by world No. 1 Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark.

In early WTA action, Russian Ekaterina Makarova set up a second-round meeting with second-seeded compatriot Vera Zvonareva with a 7-5, 6-3 victory over Spain's Maria Jose Martinez Sanchez.

Israel's Shahar Peer defeated Wimbledon semi-finalist Sabine Lisicki of Germany 6-4, 7-6 (7/4) to set up a second-round clash with third-seeded Victoria Azarenka of Belarus.

Australian qualifier Anastasia Rodionova, ranked 139th in the world, crushed 42nd-ranked Polona Herczeg 6-0, 6-0 to set up a meeting with fourth-seeded Maria Sharapova.



## Taj Mahal

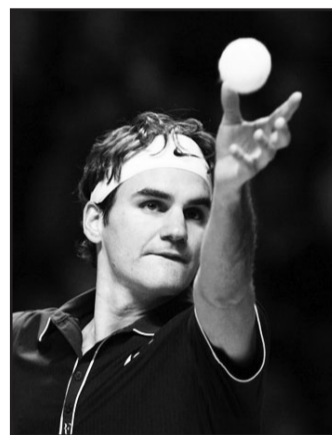
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# Federer to sound out Hingis on Olympics



CINCINNATI (AFP) - Roger Federer said Monday that he would speak to Martina Hingis about the possibility of a dream mixed doubles pairing for Switzerland at the 2012 London Olympics.

Federer, speaking at the ATP Masters event in Cincinnati, said he would talk to the now-retired Hingis to see if she would be interested.

However, the 16-time Grand Slam champion admitted he didn't know if it was realistic for him to play singles, doubles and mixed doubles at the London Games.

"Might as well just see if she is available," Federer said when asked if he would consider playing mixed doubles with Hingis in London.

"Even if she is retired, she might think about it at least,"



said Federer, who said he had mentioned the possibility to Hingis "a long time ago" but had not spoken to her about it recently.

Federer won doubles gold with Stanislas Wawrinka at the 2008 Beijing Olympics, but he has never won singles gold at the Games.

Hingis, playing a pro-am on the opening day of the WTA's San Diego Open earlier this month, said she wasn't thinking about coming out of retirement to play in London.

"My life is pretty comfortable now and I'm really enjoying it," she said.

The former teen star dominated from 1997-1999 but quit the game in 2007 without contesting a positive test for cocaine after proclaiming her innocence.

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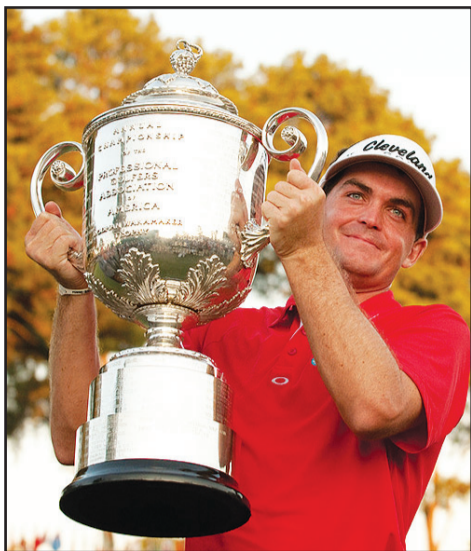
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## Breakthrough year sees majors swept by first-timers



ATLANTA (AFP) - From Charl Schwartzel's four-birdie finish to win the Masters, Rory McIlroy and Darren Clarke's emotional triumphs and Keegan Bradley's PGA shocker, 2011 was a breakthrough year in golf majors.

Bradley's victory at Atlanta Athletic Club over fellow American Jason Dufner in a three-hole aggregate playoff for the PGA Championship on Sunday completed the first majors sweep in a season since 2003 by first-time winners.

"I think majors especially, but the fields, everybody out here is so good now -- from the last guy in to the first guy can win," Bradley said.

South African Schwartzel was a stunner who emerged from a 10-man back nine battle on Sunday at Augusta National, while McIlroy was seen as a major threat well before his US Open victory and fellow Northern Irishman Clarke was a long-admired major veteran before his British Open triumph last month.

Bradley's victory, rallying after a triple bogey at the par-3 15th when Dufner collapsed down the stretch as well, ran the streak of major victories by first-time winners to a record seven and 10 of the past 11 events overall.

That is a streak Bradley says might have a long way yet to run now that the days of domination by 14-time major winner Tiger Woods are over.

"The top players are not dominating like they were, which I think is great for the tour. It gives an opportunity for a player like me to win this thing."

Since 2008, no prior major winner has won a major outside of the Masters, which offers extra benefit to experienced players being

staged annually at famed Augusta National.

Former World No. 1 Woods, who missed the cut at a major for only the third time in his career at the PGA Championship, has not won a major title since the 2008 US Open, a career-longest drought of 14 majors.

Woods, who struggled in a two-week comeback after a lay-off following left leg injuries suffered at the

Masters in April, was 33rd in Monday's world rankings, four spots below Bradley, who was 108th last week.

But Bradley is not writing off Woods, still chasing the career record 18 major titles won by Jack Nicklaus, as a major threat.

"I don't think it's over. I think Tiger has a lot of great tournaments in him," Bradley told CNN on Monday.

"But it is great to have some good young Americans coming up to play golf."

Bradley became the 13th different player to win in the past 13 majors and snapped a record drought of six majors without a US winner.

"I've always wanted to win majors," Bradley said. "It's cool to be thought of as one of those guys now."

Bradley is the grandson of an Irish immigrant, son of a club professional at a Wyoming resort and the nephew of LPGA legend Pat Bradley. He fell asleep about six hours after winning, the Wanamaker Trophy safely in his room.

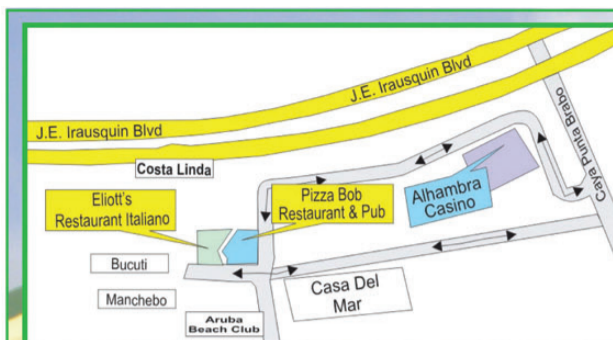
Bradley, 25, served a warning to multiple major champions like Woods and Phil Mickelson that the new generation is not just coming from the ranks of developmental tours, it's here to stay.

Bradley served notice in another way as well, becoming the first major winner using a belly putter.

"I'm also very proud to be the first belly putter to win a major," Bradley said.

"I remember people telling me when I first switched, 'Nobody has ever won a major with it.' I remember looking at them and going, 'I'm going to be the first one to win a major,' just joking pretty much."

"It's a surreal thing that it's true."



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## Brazil, France into U20 World Cup semi-finals



BOGOTA (AFP) - Brazil won a thrilling 4-2 penalty shootout against Spain to advance to the semi-finals of the U20 World Cup on Sunday night along with France who earlier beat Nigeria 3-2 after extra-time.

Brazil, bidding for their fifth title and first since 2003, will next meet Mexico in Wednesday's semi-finals at Pereira while France take on Portugal in Medellin.

"We're very emotional

after this victory. As we expected it was a very difficult match," Brazil coach Ney Franco said.

"Spain are a very strong team, they played well and have footballers of quality."

"We now have to adapt our game for Mexico who are very competitive and have just eliminated Colombia. Mexico are tactically different (from Spain)."

Portugal ousted favourites Argentina 5-4 on penalties after their tie ended goalless.

France doubled their advantage within two minutes as Gueida Fofana (102) and Lacazette (104) found the net with Ejike deflecting in a strike after 111 minutes.

France coach Francis Smerecki said his team were the dark horses of the tournament.

"We're not the favourites, I think that there are other teams better than France in certain areas. But we're going to work hard to match them," he warned.

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